

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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January 31, 2023

The Honorable Jerry Phillips City of Long Beach PO Box 310 Long Beach, WA 98631

RE: Final Ecology Approval of the City of Long Beach Shoreline Master Program Periodic

Review Amendment

Dear Mayor Phillips:

The Department of Ecology is pleased to announce final approval of the City of Long Beach Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. Ecology finds the City's amendment is consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act of 1971 (SMA) and its implementing rules.

Ecology approves the City's SMP periodic review amendment as submitted.

The enclosed Attachment A, Findings and Conclusions document provides more information about our decision. This is Ecology's final action and there will be no further modifications to the proposal.

The amendment adopted by this action concludes the City's periodic review under RCW 90.58.080(4). Ecology's approval affirms the amendment is consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMA and its implementing rules, including periodic review requirements of WAC 173-26-090.

The amended SMP is effective 14 days from the date of this letter. This time period was established by the state legislature and is intended to provide lead time for the City to prepare to implement the amended SMP.

Ecology is required to publish a newspaper notice that the City's SMP amendment has received final approval. The publication of this notice, in the form of a legal advertisement, will begin a 60-day appeal period. We will provide a copy of the notice to the City for its amendment record.

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Please send Ecology a final clean copy version of the complete approved SMP that includes the amendment changes.

If you have any questions, please contact our Shoreline Planner, Heather Bush, at heather.bush@ecy.wa.gov or 425-417-6982.

Yours truly,

Laura Watson

Director

Enclosure

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